(b) whether any items have been kept exclusively for CONCOR;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what is the impact of entry of private players in this would have on the road transport?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) The following fifteen operators have signed Model Concession Agreement to operate container trains:

1. Adani Logistics Ltd.
2. Boxtrans Logistics (India) Services Pvt. Ltd.
3. Central Warehousing Corporation
4. Container Corporation of India Ltd.
5. Container Rail Road Services Pvt. Ltd.
6. Delhi Assam Roadways Corporation Ltd.
7. ETA Engineering Pvt. Ltd.
8. Gateway Rail Freight Pvt. Ltd.
9. Hind Terminals Pvt. Ltd & MSC Agency (India) Pvt. Ltd.
10. Innovative B2B Logistics Solution Pvt. Ltd.
11. India Infrastructure & Logistics Pvt. Ltd.
12. Krishak Bharati Cooperative Ltd.
13. Pipavav Railway Corporation Ltd.
14. Reliance Infrastructure Engineers Pvt. Ltd.
15. Sical Logistics Ltd.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Entry of private players will help Indian Railways capture incremental traffic for movement by rail and act as a catalyst for diversion of traffic from road to rail.

CSR programmes/schemes

135. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the PSUs under his Ministry are committed to implement programmes/ schemes in due discharge of corporate social responsibilities (CSRs);

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the salient features of the programmes/ schemes formulated by each PSU and areas earmarked, if any, by the respective undertakings for implementations thereof showing the volume of funds allocated/spent PSU-wise and area-wise by each till 30th June, 2007;

(c) whether PSUs have also been permitted to implement CSR programmes/schemes in regions/areas far off from their Headquarter/production units; and

(d) if so, the details thereof indicating such outside places where programmes/ schemes implemented by respective PSUs and funds allocated/ spent thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The profit-making PSUs under the Ministry of Steel are committed to spend not less than 2% of their distributable profits in due discharge of Corporate Social Responsibilities (CSR). The salient features of the programmes/schemes formulated by PSUs and the amount allocated/ spent thereon are detailed in Statement-I (*See* below)

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. There is no restriction on the PSUs to implement CSR programmes/ schemes in regions/areas far off from their Headquarter/production units and some of the PSUs are undertaking CSR activities even beyond the peripheral areas around their respective plants. Details of such CSR programmes are given in Statement-II.

Statement-I

Details of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities undertaken in PSUs under Ministry of Steel.

Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)

Apart from the business of manufacturing steel, the objective of the company is to conduct business in ways that produce social, environmental and economic benefits to the communities in which it operates. CSR activities of SAIL include activities such as providing education, medical and health care facilities, access to water facilities, cultural and recreational facilities and improving roads and connectivity besides ancillary development in the peripheral areas around the plants. Sponsorship of sports activities are being undertaken at the Corporate Level and various sporting events like Nehru Champion Colleges Hockey Tournament, Chennai Open of Tamil Nadu Tennis Association and SAIL Inter village football tournament at Chiria mines are being sponsored.

A budget provision of Rs. 10000 lakhs has been made for CSR activities for the current financial year 2007-08. Till June, 2007 an amount of Rs. 490 lakhs has been spent by SAIL under CSR.

Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL)

RINL carries out CSR works which include Environmental care, Community Health Care, People Care, Cultural Efflorescence and Peripheral Development.

A budget provision of Rs. 2700 lakhs has been made for CSR activities for the current financial year 2007-08. Till June, 2007 an amount of Rs. 77.67 lakhs has been spent by RINL under CSR.

Manganese Ore (India) Limited (MOIL)

CSR activities undertaken by MOIL cover education, Community Development including adoption of villages, providing medical assistance and creating environmental awareness. Educational activities involve construction of primary schools, reimbursement of the tuition fee for children, providing text books, uniform and stationery free of cost, providing scholarship to meritorious children hailing from the surrounding villages, and other places adjoining the mines of MOIL. Community Development activities covered construction of bus stops, constructions of drains and culverts, provision of drinking

water, and construction of public utility structures such as community centers. Under medical care medical assistance was provided to villagers living around the mining areas and medical camps were also organized. MOIL has promoted environmental awareness and encouraged the villagers to plant trees. Assistance was provided through supply of free saplings and guidance in planting the tress. Large scale plantations were taken up by MOIL by planting plants on the road dividers and traffic islands in Nagpur.

A budget provision of Rs. 200 lakhs has been made for CSR activities for the current financial year 2007-08. Till July, 2007 an amount of Rs. 73 lakhs has been spent by MOIL.

Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited (KIOCL)

The various CSR programmes and schemes undertaken by the company during the past years involve activities such as running of Central School, distribution of books and other financial assistance to the educational institutions, distribution of medicine and other medical facilities to the tribal population and other people of nearby areas, providing drinking water, operation of midday meal for poor children, community development activities such as constructions of buildings and provision of equipment to the hospitals, and constructions of bridges.

A budget provision of Rs. 200 lakhs has been made for CSR activities for the current financial year 2007-08. Till June, 2007 an amount of Rs. 40 lakhs has been spent by KIOCL.

National Mineral Development Corporation Ltd. (NMDC)

NMDC carries out the CSR activities in the project areas such as providing new school buildings and additional classrooms free educational facility in the project schools to children of local tribal including providing free school uniform, textbooks, stationery items, cash awards to meritorious students, providing free medical treatment in the project hospitals to local tribals and villagers, conduct of free health camps, providing drinking water to the nearby villages by constructing open wells and hand pumps, construction of all-weather roads connecting neighboring villages.

A budget provision of Rs. 8900 lakhs has been made for CSR activities for the current financial year 2007-08. Till June, 2007 an amount of Rs. 285.11 lakhs has been spent by NMDC on CSR activities.

Sponge Iron (India) Limited (SIIL)

SIIL implements CSR programmes in the tribal villages around the plant for the welfare of the tribal population. For 2007-08, the entire budgeted amount is being spent on providing additional rooms in the school building where education is provided to the children of tribal population of nearby villages.

A budget provision of Rs. 5 lakhs has been made for CSR activities for the current financial year 2007-08. However an amount of Rs. 7.22 lakhs has already been spent till June 2007.

MSTC Limited

The CSR schemes in MSTC consists of payment of maximum of Rs. 1 lakh per

annum to any charitable organizations dedicated for upliftment of poor and destitute children, women, old age persons, artists and musicians students. Higher amounts are given in deserving case. Contributions have been made for adoption of orphan children who have potential to become good sports persons, procurement of ambulance for rural areas by NGOs dedicated to social and charitable work, payment of scholarship to poor school children, funding for equipments in small medical centers/blood donation organizations, one time payment to libraries of schools and poor educational institution for purchase of essential goods.

A budget provision of Rs. 94 lakhs (tentative) has been made for CSR activities for the current financial year 2007-08. Till June, 2007 an amount of Rs. 10 lakhs has been spent by MSTC.

Ferro Scrap Nigam Limited (FSNL)

Under CSR programmes, FSNL distributes books, notebooks, uniform cloths to the meritorious students, belonging to SC, ST and OBC communities. Other activities like development of playgrounds providing sports material, construction of additional room and halls with infrastructural facilities are provided on need basis. FSNL has identified ten schools, located in villages nearby FSNL's production units at Rourkela, Burnpur, Bhilai, Bokaro, Vizag, Durgapur, Dolvi, Duburi, Raigarh and its Corporate Office, for undertaking the CSR programmes.

A budget provision of Rs. 6 lakhs has been made for CSR activities for the current financial year 2007-08, out of which Rs. 2 lakhs has been spent by June 2007.

Bharat Refractories Limited (BRL)

The areas earmarked for CSR activities in BRL are providing school bus facility for the students of the nearby villages, running a primary schools at Bhandaridah and Ranchi Road locations for the benefit of nearby poor people, running a DAV school at Bhandaridah upto class XII level with all facilities at concessional fees and providing free medical facility at Bhandaridah Refractories Plant.

A budget provision of Rs. 13 lakhs has been made for CSR activities in BRL for the current financial year 2007-08. However, till June, 2007 an amount of Rs. 15.12 lakhs has already been spent by BRL.

MECON Limited

MECON carries out activities related to community development for the development and welfare of SCs, STs, OBCs, minorities and weaker section of the society in the slum areas/backward areas of Ranchi and nearby villages.

A budget provision of Rs. 20.9 lakhs has been made for CSR activities for the current financial year 2007-08. Till June, 2007 an amount of Rs. 2.2 lakhs has been spent by MECON.

Hindustan Steelworks Constructions Ltd. (HSCL)

Though HSCL is committed to carrying out CSR programmes, however, due to its adverse financial position, the company is not able to implement CSR programme.

Statement-II

Details of CSR Programmes

The CSR activities undertaken by SAIL and NMDC in the areas outside their immediate locations.

Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL)

- Two food delivery vans were given to ISKCON Foundation on 22nd February 2007, for Mid Day Meal programme at Faridabad and Kurukshetra at a cost of Rs. 4.9 lakhs.
- Support of Rs. 10 lakhs was provided to Global Cancer Concern India for Cancer Awareness and detection camp at Chattisgarh on 9th January 2007.
- Financial assistance of Rs. 6 lakhs was provided to Venu Eye Institute, New Delhi for conducting 600 free eye surgeries for needy patients. Rs. 1 lakh for 100 eye surgeries was given on 3rd October 2007 and Rs. 5 lakhs for 500 eye surgeries was given on 13th February, 2007.
- Financial assistance of Rs. 2 lakhs was provided to Guild of Service on 16th January 2007 for construction of widow home at Varanasi.
- Financial assistance of Rs. 25 lakhs was provided to Sankara Nethralaya, Chennai. on 18th April 2007, for medical research.
- Assistance of Rs. 12.85 lakhs was provided to Centurian School of Rural Enterprise, Parlakhemundi, Gajapati district of Orissa on 12th April 2007, for purchase of Computers for providing training to tribal students.
- Assistance of Rs. 3 lakhs to SEVAC (Sane and Enthusiast Volunteers' Association of Kolkata) on 29th March, 2007 towards cost of Medicine/ Pathological testing/ other investigation of the mentally ill people.
- 49 health camps were held in April-June, 2007, in 6 states—Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Orissa, West Bengal and Tamil Nadu to provide free health check-up, path lab treatment, medicine, and immunization to cover over 2.5 lakh of the needy population at a cost of Rs. 171.29 lakh.

National Mineral Development Corporation Limited (NMDC)

- Contributed Rs. 5.00 lakhs on 28.02.2007 towards construction of building and hostel for Maruthi Seva Samiti Trust Orphan School, Bangalore.
- Contributed Rs. 3 lakhs on 22.12.06 towards organizing the 4th South Asian Football Tournament Baster Zilla Olympic Sangh, Jagdalpur; contributed Rs. 15,000/- to AP Sports Council of Deaf for Andhra Pradesh State Chess Championship on 27.12.06 and Rs. 4 lakhs on 27.12.2006 to Chhattisgarh State Volley Ball Association, Raipur for 55th Senior National Volleyball Championship at Raipur.
- Contributed Rs. 20,000/- on 30.06.2006 to Indian Association of Blood Cancer, Kolkata for the purpose of assistance for children suffering from blood cancer; contributed Rs. 3,50,315/- on 21.07.2006 to Indian Red Cross Society, Raipur for the purpose of furnishing conference hall of Red cross Society, Raipur; contributed Rs. 50,000/- on 17.08.06 to Deaf Way, Hyderabad for the purpose of organizing 49th International Day of the Deaf Celebration, 2006.